

Q&As

Request for Proposals: City Hall Rooftop Solar Array

Q: Do you have a preference on where the panels go? There are some pieces of the rooftop that are flat and some that are metal – can they use any part of the rooftop? Or do you have a preference?

A: We do not have a strict preference on where the panels are located. Panel location will influence costs as well as offset percentage, but we are open to whatever the most effective layout is.

Q: The offset is still the 60%, right?

A: Correct, we are seeking roughly 60% offset.

Q: What is the estimated construction budget?

A: Our budget will depend on the quotes we get, so we don't think we can really narrow that down yet.

Q: Can I get a copy of the planholders list and addenda, if available?

A: We do not have a planholders list and/or addenda. All the information for this RFP is posted on our website at: <https://www.cottonwoodheights.utah.gov/your-government/public-records-notice/requests-for-proposals>. Any and all proposals will be received and reviewed in accordance with the RFP instructions. A complete copy of the RFP is available at the link provided.

Q: I did notice that two months were missing out of the bills. Those months are May and October. Would it be possible to get those two bills added in?

A: We do not have separate bills for those months. After doing some digging, it appears we missed the original bills/payments for those months, and then had these previous balances lumped into the next month's bills. The original bills were never paid/archived, but we did pay the full balance with the next month's invoices. We would recommend that the companies use educated inferences in estimating these months' usage.

Qs:

1. Is this project funded?
2. Is the funding dependent on capturing the Blue-Sky Grant?
3. The bulk of the Blue-Sky Grant application will be on you. Are you expecting something different?

As:

1. Funding for this project will be determined when the budget is adopted in July 2021 for the next fiscal year.
2. Some funding will be dependent on financial assistance from the Blue-Sky Grant.
3. As stated in the RFP description, assistance with the Blue-Sky Grant process is expected.

Q: Please explain your thoughts on this RFP and selecting a contractor before the project has been approved or funded or grant awarded. It is very costly to respond to RFP's. I have spent a dozen hours consulting Samantha. Spectrum Engineering has provided an excellent report on this project. You know budget numbers.

Please explain the expectation in assisting in the grant process when there is no funding.

A typical charge for blue sky application assistance is \$3,500.

May I bid on this project once you have funding?

A: The Blu Sky Grant application requires specific contractor information, which is why we are going through the process of selecting a contractor prior to submitting for project funding through this program. The City also desired more detailed bids in determining a more exact amount to budget.

Q: The response is limited to 3 pages. Does a certificate of insurance count as one of the three pages?

A: The certificate of Insurance does not count towards total pages.